

Since the fluorescent compounds now claimed are not disclosed or suggested anywhere in the Sato reference, the present invention is not obvious over Sato, were such a rejection contemplated by the Office. Applicants kindly request withdrawal of this reference as a ground of rejection.

The rejection under 35 USC §112, second paragraph is traversed in-part and is obviated in-part by amendment.

Claims 5 and 10 have been canceled.

Claims 6-9 have been amended to make it more clear that the fluorescent dopant is not the same as the fluorescent compound: these claims now recite that the light emitting layer “further comprises” the fluorescent dopant. This is consistent with the specification, where there is no confusion between the dopant and the compound. See, e.g., the English translation of the specification at page 8, lines 6ff, page 9, 3<sup>rd</sup> line from the bottom, and Example 5 on page 33.

With respect to the asserted similarity of Claims 8 and 9, Applicants note that these claims differ in their respective dependencies. This ground of rejection is unsustainable, and it should be withdrawn.

Claims 15 and 16 have been amended to make it clear that the layer of the light emitting medium in contact with the anode/cathode contains the oxidizing/reducing agent. This is consistent with the specification at page 8, last paragraph and page 9, lines 4ff.

For all the reasons given above, and in view of the claim amendments, Applicants kindly request that the rejection under 35 USC §112, second paragraph be withdrawn.

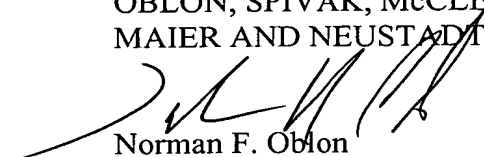
The objection to the specification over the term, “fluoranthene” is traversed. This is a well-known term as shown by the attached page from the *CRC Handbook of Chemistry and Physics* (CRC Press, 66<sup>th</sup> edition, page C-10), and its spelling is believed to be correct

throughout the specification. Applicants kindly request that this objection be withdrawn accordingly.

This application is now in condition for allowance, and the Examiner is kindly requested to pass this case to issue.

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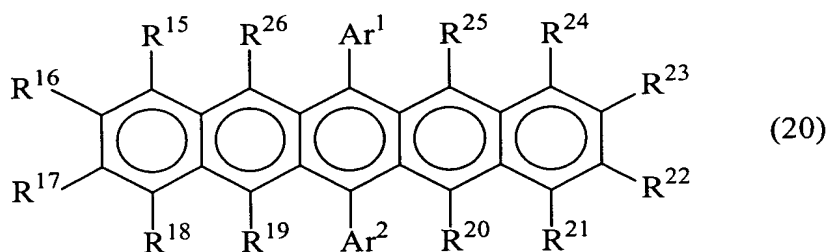
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IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows.

Page 18 of the English translation, please replace the structure with the following structure:

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IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claims 5 and 10.

Please amend the claims as follows. A marked-up copy is attached.

--1. (Amended) An organic electroluminescence device emitting white light which comprises a pair of electrodes and a layer of a light emitting medium disposed between the pair of electrodes, wherein the layer of a light emitting medium comprises a light emitting

material emitting blue light and a fluorescent compound having at least one structure selected from a fluoranthene skeleton structure[,], and a pentacene skeleton structure [and a perylene skeleton structure].

6. (Amended) An organic electroluminescence device emitting white light according to Claim 2, wherein light emitting layer A further comprises [the light emitting material emitting blue light and] a fluorescent dopant emitting blue light.

7. (Amended) An organic electroluminescence device emitting white light according to Claim 3, wherein light emitting layer A further comprises [the light emitting material emitting blue light and] a fluorescent dopant emitting blue light.

8. (Amended) An organic electroluminescence device emitting white light according to Claim 4, wherein light emitting layer B further comprises [the light emitting material emitting blue light and] a fluorescent dopant emitting blue light.

9. (Amended) An organic electroluminescence device emitting white light according to Claim 3, wherein the light emitting layer emitting blue light further comprises [the light emitting material emitting blue light and] a fluorescent dopant emitting blue light.

15. (Amended) An organic electroluminescence device emitting white light according to Claim 1, wherein the layer of a light emitting medium [which] contacts an anode and comprises an oxidizing agent.

16. (Amended) An organic electroluminescence device emitting white light according to Claim 1, wherein the layer of a light emitting medium [which] contacts a cathode and comprises a reducing agent.

Claim 30 (New).--